

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

A nickel a gallon gets Clark County over \$200 million in transportation benefits; southwest Washington delegation divided

A ten-year \$4.1 billion transportation package, financed by a five-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax increase approved by the Washington State Legislature, will provide Clark County with over \$200 million in transportation improvements, reports **Mark O. Brown**, Vancouver's governmental relations consultant.

"The City of Vancouver is very pleased with this revenue package and the associated project list," Brown says.

The southwest Washington delegation was divided over the proposal. Supporting the measure were Sen. **Don Carlson** (R-49th) and Reps. **Bill Fromhold** (D-49th) and **Jim Moeller** (D-49th). Opposing the measure were Sens. **Don Benton** (R-17th), **Joe Zarelli** (R-18th) and Reps. **Marc Boldt** (R-17th), **Deb Wallace** (D-17th), **Tom Mielke** (R-18th) and **Ed Orcutt** (R-18th).

Clark County projects included in the package are:

- ?? Highway 500 and NE 112th Avenue interchange, \$21.3 million
- ?? Interstate 205 and Mill Plain Boulevard-NE 112th Avenue extension, \$12 million.
- ?? Interstate 5, Highway 502-NE 219th Street interchange, \$34.7 million.
- ?? Interstate 5-Interstate 205-NE 134th Street improvements, \$40 million.
- ?? Widening Highway 205 to Battle Ground, \$15 million.
- ?? Widening Interstate 5 between NE 99th Street and Salmon Creek, \$34 million.
- ?? 39th Street rail overpass, \$53.7 million.

In addition, the legislature's package includes \$144 million in improvements for Amtrak between Vancouver and Seattle.

The regular session of the legislature has concluded without lawmakers agreeing on either the state capital budget or the state operating budget. These and other fiscal matters will be taken up when the legislature reconvenes in a special session Monday, May 12.

Open house to show proposed ODOT improvements for Delta Park bottleneck

An Oregon State Department of Transportation open house in the Kenton Firehouse, 8105 N. Bradon Avenue, provides an opportunity to get involved in proposed improvements on the I-5 corridor between Delta Park and Lombard Street.

The session is from 4 and 8 p.m. today.

Heath care roundtable Wednesday offers public a chance to weigh in with ideas

Clark County residents can help plan improvements in statewide health and health care systems at a 6-to-8 p.m. roundtable discussion Wednesday, April 30, in Southwest Washington Medical Center's education center, 400 NE Mother Joseph Place.

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Sponsors of the Washington Health Foundation Community Round Tables include such diverse organizations as AARP, League of Women Voters, the state medical association, Association of Washington Business, the state Nurses Association. For further information, call Clark County Health Department spokesperson **Roxce Stavney** at 397-8090.

People

To be named as new members of the Vancouver Planning Commission tonight are **Eric Niborg**, term to expire October 2009; **D. Michael Heywood**, term to expire October 2006; and **Mike Starks**, term to expire October 2005.

News briefs

The Vancouver City Council meets in workshop session at 4 p.m. today and will discuss an the city-county Telecommunications Commission's annual review of cable television operations. The council will also discuss the cost and fees of city services. Following a brief consent-agenda session that begins at 6 p.m., the council will adjourn for an informal public session. The informal session will not be televised. ~~SES~~ Port of Vancouver commissioners meet in a workshop session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 29. ~~SES~~ Clark Public Utilities' commissioners are not meeting this week. Their next scheduled meeting is at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 6. ~~SES~~ Clark County commissioners meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 29. ~~SES~~ The 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, open rehearsal of the Oregon Chamber Players at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 4033 SE Woodstock Boulevard, is free.

Monday electronic events

City Minutes—3 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver City Council (4/21)—7 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT Monday, April 28, 2003

Alaska Air Group	17.75	+63	Linear Technology	34.95	+1.20
Alcoa	22.47	+55	Microsoft	25.74	+5.3
Amazon.com	29.11	+14	Nautilus	12.41	+5.5
Bank of America	73.67	+1.09	Nike	53.97	+1.75
Bank of Clark County	15.60	unch	Nordstrom	17.13	+2.9
Bemis	45.35	+93	PepsiCo	43.45	+8.0
Boeing	27.38	+19	Precision Cast	27.88	+5.1
Boise Cascade	23.19	+44	RRLRN	18.13	+0.8
CenturyTel	29.50	+82	Starbucks	24.03	+5.6
Costco	34.47	+1.42	TSM	7.69	+1.1
Expeditors Intl.	36.81	+1.53	Tektronix	18.50	+2.6
Georgia Pacific	15.58	+43	US Bancorp	22.36	+1.7
HPQ	16.11	+26	Wash. Mutual	38.91	+5.5
Intel	18.75	+47	W. Coast Bancorp	16.48	+2.4
Kyocera	48.27	+80	Weyerhaeuser	50.00	-6.8

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Town Tabloids and The Weather

Wayne Nelson successfully taking on Jupiter Pluvius. SES Dean Sutherland gracefully wielding baton SES Dorothy Graham putting charm into stories. SES Tori Darnell having sweet things to say. SES Nancy Williams looking for view. SES Monday , starts nicely but light showers may follow, 65. Tuesday , mostly gray, some moisture, 67. Wednesday , sun may slowly return, 68.	Acapulco 90/73 Athens 68/55 Chicago 70/48 Dallas 84/63 Hong Kong 82/73 Los Angeles 67/58 London 62/45 New 82/66 Orleans 76/58 New York 86/66 Orlando 65/45 Paris 88/62 Phoenix 73/54 Rome 64/46 Seattle 76/55 Sydney 68/56 Tokyo 78/58
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